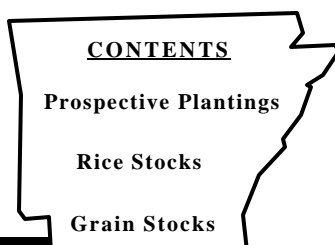


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## 2002 PROSPECTIVE CROP PLANTING

	ACREAGE PLANTED			2002 as %
	2000	2001	2002 <sup>1</sup>	of 2001
	(1,000 Acres)			
<b>ARKANSAS</b>				
Corn, All	180	190	300	158
Cotton, All	960	1,080	970	90
Hay, All <sup>2</sup>	1,250	1,320	1,320	100
Rice, All	1,420	1,631	1,651	101
Long Grain	1,138	1,480	1,500	101
Medium Grain	280	150	150	100
Short Grain	2	1	1	100
Sorghum, All	150	175	250	143
Soybeans for Beans	3,350	2,900	2,850	98
Wheat, All	1,180	1,100	1,000	91
<b>UNITED STATES</b>				
Corn, All	79,551	75,752	79,047	104
Cotton, All	15,517.2	15,787.8	14,770.5	94
Hay, All <sup>2</sup>	59,854	63,511	63,743	100
Oats	4,477	4,403	5,129	116
Rice, All	3,060	3,335	3,323	100
Long Grain	2,206	2,714	2,690	99
Medium Grain	818	595	612	103
Short Grain	36	26	21	81
Sorghum, All	9,195	10,252	9,015	88
Soybeans for Beans	74,266	74,105	72,966	98
Wheat, All	62,629	59,617	59,004	99

<sup>1</sup>Intended plantings in 2002 as indicated by reports from farmers.

<sup>2</sup>Intended acres for harvest

### ! IMPORTANT NOTICE !

Beginning in June 2002, the bi-weekly Arkansas Farm Report will no longer be printed. **All** information contained in the report is available on the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service website at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ar/>. Individual releases for Crop Acreage and Production, Grain Stocks, Rice Stocks, Fruit and Vegetable Production, Floriculture, Cattle Inventory, Milk Production, Hog Inventory, Catfish Production and Honey Production will be printed and mailed to survey respondents. If you do not have internet access and would like to receive a printed copy of an individual release, please call 1-800-327-2970, or Little Rock Area (501) 296-9926.

## ARKANSAS 2002 PLANTING INTENTIONS

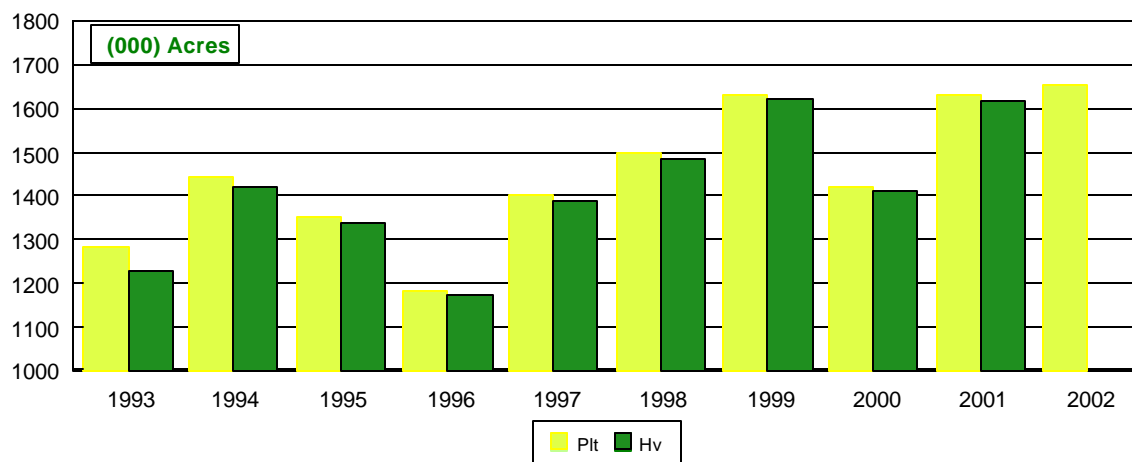
**ARKANSAS** farmers intend to plant less acres in cotton and soybeans; while they plan to plant more acres in corn, rice and sorghum, according to the March 1, 2002 Prospective Planting Survey. Wheat acreage seeded last fall was down 9%, and oat acreage estimates were discontinued in 2000 for Arkansas. All hay intended for harvest was estimated at 1.32 million acres, equal to a year ago.

## UNITED STATES 2002 PLANTING INTENTIONS

**UNITED STATES** farmers intend to plant less acres in rice, cotton, soybeans and sorghum, but more acres in corn.

Wheat acreage seeded last fall was down 1 percent from 2001, the lowest level since 1972. Oat acreage seeded last fall was up 16 percent from last year, if intentions are realized, oat planted and harvested acres would be the highest since 1995.

## ARKANSAS RICE



## ARKANSAS RICE STOCKS

Stocks of rough rice in all positions in ARKANSAS on March 1, 2002 totaled 56.9 million hundredweight (cwt.), up 30 percent from the 43.6 million cwt. on March 1, 2001. Rough rice on farms totaled 18.3 million cwt.

Off-farm rough rice stocks in mills and attached warehouses totaled 7.6 million cwt., while stocks in warehouses not attached to mills were 30.9 million cwt.

Milled rice stocks in all positions totaled 2.19 million cwt., down from the 1.90 million cwt. a year ago. Milled rice in mills and attached warehouses on March 1, 2002 totaled 1.59 million cwt., up 1 percent from a year ago.

## U.S. RICE STOCKS

Rough rice stocks in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 110 million hundredweight (cwt.), up 28 percent from the total on March 1, 2001.

Farm stocks were estimated at 31.7 million cwt. and off-farm stocks totaled 78.5 million cwt. Long grain varieties, in all positions, totaled 80.4 million cwt., medium grain totaled 28.5 million cwt. and short grain totaled 1.3 million cwt.

Milled rice stocks on March 1, 2002 totaled 4.81million cwt., down 3 percent from a year ago. Milled rice stocks were comprised of 3.95 million cwt. of whole kernel rice and 859 thousand cwt. of second heads, screenings, and brewers rice.

# RICE STOCKS BY POSITION, BY STATES, MARCH 1, 2001-2002

STATE	TOTAL ALL POSITIONS	ON FARMS OR FARM WHSES.	IN MILLS AND ATTACHED WHSES.	IN WHSES. NOT ATTACHED TO MILLS	IN PORTS OR IN TRANSIT	TOTAL ALL POSITIONS
	2001	2002				2002

## ROUGH RICE - 1,000 CWT.

ARKANSAS	43,608	18,300	7,590	30,942	62	56,894
California	24,356	1,125	1,689	21,277	0	24,091
Louisiana	5,386	3,400	1	1	1	9,931
Mississippi	5,234	4200	491	2,967	0	7,658
Missouri	3,816	1	1	1	0	1
Texas	3,620	1	1	3,690	1	1
Unallocated		4,700	2,901	6,740	117	11,617
United States	86,020	31,725	12,671	65,616	179	110,191

## MILLED RICE - 1,000 CWT.

ARKANSAS	1,900		1,591	155	441	2,187
California	1,578		925	0	0	925
Louisiana	1		445	0	462	907
Mississippi	1		1	1	1	1
Missouri	1		1	1	1	1
Texas	567		606	0	0	606
Unallocated	939		122	0	66	188
United States	4,984		3,689	155	969	4,813

<sup>1</sup>Included in unallocated to avoid disclosing individual operations.

## ARKANSAS GRAIN STOCKS

**Soybeans:** There were 18.6 million bushels stored in off-farm facilities, down 1 percent from the previous year. On-farm stocks were not released.

**Wheat:** all wheat in storage March 1, 2002 was not released. Farm stocks are estimated at 200,000 bushels; off-farm stocks were not released. The farm level was up 100 percent from the previous year.

**Grain Sorghum:** stocks were not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**Oats:** stocks for March 1, 2002 were not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**Corn:** total stocks were not published. Stocks stored off-farm totaled 6.5 million bushels, up 115% from the previous year.

## U. S. GRAIN STOCKS

**Soybeans:** stocks stored in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 1.34 billion bushels, down 5 percent from March 1, 2001. On-farm stocks, estimated at 687 million bushels, were down 12 percent from the same period a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 649 million bushels, were 4 percent above the previous year.

**Wheat:** all wheat in storage March 1, 2002 totaled 1.21 billion bushels, down 10 percent from a year ago. Farm stocks are estimated at 339 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 872 million bushels, are down 9 percent from a year ago. Disappearance for the quarter ending March 1 was 413 million bushels, down 12 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Grain Sorghum:** stored in all positions on March 1, 2002, totaled 194 million bushels, up 16 percent from March 1, 2001.

**GRAIN AND SOYBEAN STOCKS, MARCH 1, 2001 AND MARCH 1, 2002**

2001			2002			TOTAL STOCKS	
GRAIN	ON FARMS	OFF FARMS <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL STOCKS <sup>2</sup>	ON FARMS	OFF FARMS <sup>1</sup>	TOTAL STOCKS <sup>2</sup>	2002 AS % OF 2001
Thousand Bushels				Thousand Bushels			Percent
<b><u>ARKANSAS</u></b>							
Soybeans	3	18,891	3	3	18,645	3	
Wheat, all	100	3	3	200	3	3	
Corn	3	3,010	3	3	6,460	3	
Grain Sorghum	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Oats		38	38		3	3	
<b><u>UNITED STATES</u></b>							
Soybeans	780,000	623,908	1,403,908	687,000	648,976	1,335,976	95
Wheat, all	384,750	953,648	1,338,398	338,500	872,223	1,210,723	90
Corn	3,600,000	2,442,999	6,042,999	3,355,000	2,441,473	5,796,473	96
Grain Sorghum	40,100	127,027	167,127	38,100	156,151	194,251	116
Oats	55,800	54,128	109,928	39,800	52,997	92,797	84

<sup>1</sup>Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, processors and CCC-owned grain at bin sites.

<sup>2</sup>Off farm total plus farm stocks.

<sup>3</sup>Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.